

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

**Blue Ridge Middle Greenville County** 

Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 932** 

Principal: Becky Greene

Superintendent: Mr. Burke Royster Board Chair: Mr. Chuck Saylors

## PERFORMANCE

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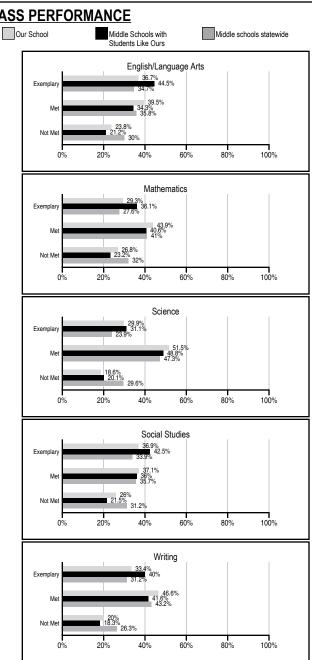
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL A	ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	В	N/A
2012	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	В	N/A
2011	Good	Excellent	Gold	N/A	Not Met	N/A

## **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

<b>EXCELLENT</b>	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
18	12	9	0	0

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## **PASS PERFORMANCE**



## **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Parcentages at NAEP Achievement Levels

READING – GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina	28	45	25	2		
Nation	25	43	29	3		
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced  ■ Below Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced						
MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina	30	38	25	7		
Nation	28	39	26	8		
% Below Basic   % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced   Below Basic   Basic   Proficient   Advanced						
	SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2011)					
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SCIENCE - GRADE		32 32	27	] 1 ] 2		

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013					
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	98.1	95.5			
English 1	100.0	95.2			
Physical Science	N/A	N/A			
US History and the Constitution	N/A	0			
All Subjects	99.2	95.6			

#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

# Blue Ridge Middle [Greenville County] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=932)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	19.9%	No Change	28.5%	24.6%
Retention rate	0.2%	Down from 0.5%	0.6%	0.6%
Attendance rate	96.4%	Down from 96.8%	96.5%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	19.2%	N/A	25.0%	18.5%
With disabilities	14.7%	N/A	11.3%	13.0%
Older than usual for grade	4.4%	N/A	3.4%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.4%	0.3%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=51)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	70.6%	Down from 74.5%	65.3%	61.5%
Continuing contract teachers	96.1%	Up from 92.2%	78.9%	77.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	96.1%	No Change	88.0%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.9%	Up from 92.3%	95.3%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,204	Up 1.9%	\$48,580	\$47,313
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.5%	No Change	2.4%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	6.8 days	Up from 0.9 days	11.2 days	10.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	8.0	Up from 5.0	4.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	26.1 to 1	Down from 26.6 to 1	23.3 to 1	22.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.6%	Up from 88.5%	90.5%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	99.2%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,911	Up 3.6%	\$7,053	\$7,239
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	63.0%	Down from 63.6%	65.0%	63.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.0%	Down from 62.9%	63.0%	61.0%
ESEA composite index score	85.4	Down from 88.8	86.4	83.5

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

#### EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	46	270	78
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.3%	70%	84.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	93.5%	74.8%	82.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	93.6%	84.5%	71.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Each year our School Improvement Council (SIC) releases to the community a report detailing progress and plans the school has made to establish a quality program for all students. We recognize that one essential component of that effort is a strong partnership with the community. **ACADEMICS** 

Course syllabi based on state standards for each subject area have been developed and revised. Syllabi are published and available to parents.

Benchmark exams are given 4 times a year in ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies.

Each teacher has a website accessible through the school district site and a direct phone line to assist in communication with parents.

Daily lesson objectives and Student Learning Maps are posted in each classroom to focus learning.

The PTSA funded grants of \$100 for individual teacher's classroom use

SCHOOL SAFETY

Administrators and front-end staff have received enhanced safety training from the district and outside sources. We have begun the process of implementing a new safety / father involvement program for the 2013-2014 school year (Watch D.O.G.S.)

**SPORTS and ACTIVITIES** 

Teams include baseball, softball, boys' and girls' soccer and basketball, and girls' volleyball.

Students were given the opportunity to audition for and participate in a school-wide theatrical performance. BRMS began an afterschool Scholastic Chess program and plans to continue and expand the program next year. **ACCOMPLISHMENTS** 

A "Who's Who Teacher of the Month" (selected by our teachers).

Beta Club-Beta Club members have logged over 800 service hours in the community this year. As a group, we helped with the Down's Syndrome Walk at Furman, the Area 4 Special Olympics, the fall carnival at Skyland Elem, and the spring carnival at Mountain View Elem. We collected items to donate to the Ronald McDonald House in Greenville. We raised over \$2000 for the Leukemia Society through our annual Pennies for Patients campaign. We were well represented at the State Convention in Myrtle Beach.

The Blue Ridge Middle School Academic Team competed in the 2013 National Academic Competition in New Orleans in June and placed 3rd.

BRMS had a number of students in All State Band. BRMS had a number of students participate in the Greenville County School District "Spring Sing". Our Art Classes had a number of pieces that won District Awards, and were posted on the school website.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.